I would encourage you to increase the mininum flying altitude...or eliminate helicopter flying above the Big Island. Recently, I hiked in and out of Waimanu Valley. I started my hike out at 6 AM, and by 8 AM the helicopters were buzzing close to my head. The first 2 hours were wonderful...the rest of the hike was disgustingly noisy.

- ...I believe the hikers (people who truly need peace and quiet to keep our sanity) should be allowed to achieve our mental health without medication or alcohol.
- ...Instead, with all of the compromises for tourism, the Big Island is becoming a place where people wouldn't even want to visit.